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1. CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT

- 2. SUMMARY: UNDPKO WAS CLEARLY NOT ENTHUSED ABOUT USG CONCERNS ABOUT THEIR NON-PAPER AND WERE RECEPTIVE TO THE USG PROPOSAL BUT ONLY AS PART OF THEIR KIGALI-BASED MISSION. SYG MILITARY ADVISOR BARIL REPORTED THAT THE FORCE COMMANDER COULD ONLY HOLD OUT FOR ANOTHER WEEK IN KIGALI AT CURRENT STRENGTH. AMBASSADOR INDERFURTH REQUESTED THAT THE UN INCLUDE ANOTHER OPTION IN THE SYG'S REPORT AS OUTLINED IN OUR PROPOSAL. END SUMMARY.

 3. AMBASSADOR INDERFURTH BRIEFED ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS RIZA ON USG CONCERNS WITH THE SECRETARIAT'S NON-PAPER ON A PROPOSED RWANDA MISSION. HE ALSO REVIEWED THE CONCEPT OF A USG PROPOSAL FOR A HUMANITARIAN MISSION IN REFUGEE AREAS ALONG THE RWANDAN BORDER.
- 4. RIZA AND THE SYG'S MILITARY ADVISOR BARIL ACKNOWLEDGED THERE WAS SIMILARITY BETWEEN OUR TWO APPROACHES BUT WERE CLEARLY NOT ENTHUSED ABOUT SOME ELEMENTS OF THE USG PROPOSAL AND MADE THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

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- THE PEOPLE MOST THREATENED RIGHT NOW IN RWANDA WERE IN KIGALI; MANY THOUSANDS OF WHICH ARE UNDER CURRENT UN CONTROL. THE UN WAS STILL PROTECTING PEOPLE IN THREE LOCATIONS IN KIGALI -- THE STADIUM, THE MILLES COLLINES HOTEL AND KING FAISEL HOSPITAL.
- THE FORCE COMMANDER COULD ONLY HOLD OUT WITH HIS CURRENT FORCE LEVELS FOR ABOUT ANOTHER WEEK THEN HE WOULD HAVE TO WITHDRAW.
- THE UN WAS VERY CONCERNED ABOUT LOSING TOTAL PRESENCE IN RWANDA.
- THE UN INSISTS THAT ITS PROPOSAL IS CONTINGENT UPON THE CONSENT OF THE TWO PARTIES, THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED UNOFFICIAL CONSENT FROM BOTH SIDES TO ACCEPT THE MISSION AS BRIEFED, AND THAT A CHAPTER VII MISSION WAS NOT PLANNED OR REQUIRED. THE RPF IS ABLE TO CONTROL THE ACTIONS OF ITS FORCES, BUT THE UN WARNED THAT THE GOVERNMENT DOES NOT HAVE CONTROL OF THE MILITIAS.
- THE UN ARGUED THAT THE SAFE AREAS NEAR THE TANZANIAN AND UGANDAN BORDERS DID NOT NEED FORCES BUT COULD BE

OVERSEEN BY OBSERVERS. THEY ADDED THAT THEIR PLAN ALSO ENVISIONED A BORDER OPERATION SIMILAR TO OUR PROPOSAL, PERHAPS IN THE ZAIRE OR BURUNDI BORDER AREAS.

- THE UN CONFIRMED THAT KIGALI'S POPULATION MIGHT HAVE PLUMMETED TO ABOUT 60,000 BUT NOBODY WAS CERTAIN EXACTLY HOW MANY PEOPLE WERE AT RISK IN KIGALI. THEY BELIEVE CONFIDENTIAL

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-- DEPLOYING ONLY TO THE BORDERS AND LEAVING THE INTERIOR TO BE DEALT WITH AT A LATER STAGE MIGHT MAKE THE SITUATION WORSE.

- 5. BARIL MADE A FEW ADDITIONAL POINTS DURING THE MEETING AS WELL:
- HE SAID THAT THE GHANIANS AND PERHAPS THE NIGERIANS WERE READY TO PROVIDE A BATTALION BUT THE TANZANIANS AND SENEGALESE WERE LESS CERTAIN ABOUT A COMMITMENT.
- BARIL NOTED THAT THE UN WOULD NEED A BATTALION'S WORTH OF PROTECTED VEHICLES (M113 VARIETY) TO OUTFIT ONE OF THE AFRICAN UNITS. (HE ALSO MENTIONED HIS UNOFFICIAL REQUEST TO THE USG FOR APCS.)
- BARIL SAID THAT THE UN FORCE COMMANDER WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A BATTALION-SIZED REACTION FORCE ON A SHORT NOTICE TO BE AVAILABLE FOR IMMEDIATE REINFORCEMENT (PRESUMABLY TO ASSIST IN A WITHDRAWAL), BUT WAS NOT MORE SPECIFIC ON THIS POINT.

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6. THE UN ALSO NOTED THAT THE BORDER WITH BURUNDI HAD BEEN CLOSED TWO DAYS AGO, AND THAT THE FORCE COMMANDER

HAD BEEN PREVENTED FROM GOING TO GITAR AMA SINCE THE RGF COULD NOT GUARANTEE HIS SAFETY.

7. AMBASSADOR INDERFURTH TOLD RIZA THAT THE P-5 AGREED YESTERDAY THAT THE FOCUS OF A NEW RWANDA MISSION SHOULD BE HUMANITARIAN AND THAT THE US GOVERNMENT WOULD LIKE TO SEE ANOTHER OPTION IN THE SYG'S REPORT ALONG THE LINES OUTLINED IN OUR TALKING POINTS. RIZA NODDED BUT DID NOT COMMIT TO ADDING OUR PROPOSAL TO THE REPORT. AMB. INDERFURTH PROVIDED A LIST OF DETAILED QUESTIONS TO RIZA. USUN WILL REPORT ON THE UN'S FURTHER REPLY AS SOON AS IT IS RECEIVED.

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